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Executive Secretary

SUBJECT:

Status Report on CIPC Projects and Activities--September

Members, Critical Intelligence Problems Committee

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1. The committee did not convene in September. The next monthly meeting is scheduled for 22 October, at 1530 hours. The China Study and the CBW Subcommittee Terms of Reference (TOR) are scheduled to be the primary agenda items.

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2. International Terrorism Study: We reported last month that the Terrorism Study had been resumed. This study will be a "fast-track" effort and is scheduled to be completed for CIPC review by 22 November.

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3. To facilitate this study effort, Miss Page has appointed Mr. Robert DuBose as Chairman of the CIPC Terrorism Working Group. Mr. DuBose is the Director, Office of Global Intelligence, State/INR, and has considerable experience in this area. The Terrorism Working Group is scheduled to convene on 19 October to implement the final phase of the study. You will recall that they have already prepared for the DCI and CIPC an interim Terrorism Report and developed a list of initiatives in response to NSDD-138.

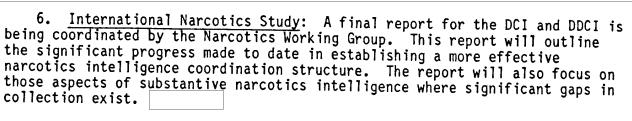
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7. Intelligence and law enforcement organizations have developed memoranda detailing their respective concerns, which have been forwarded to the NIO/Narcotics, and will be included as appendices to the report. The working group is scheduled to meet on 25 October to complete coordination of the final report.

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8. On 18 September, a CIPC staff member was invited to a proof-of-concept demonstration of one of the several R&D counter-narcotics projects sponsored by CIA's Office of Research and Development (ORD).

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9. However, it is becoming clear that budgetary restraints are a serious concern for both the law enforcement community and operational elements of the Intelligence Community who might otherwise be willing to underwrite the further-on development of selected ORD projects. In view of this, the CIPC staff plans to invite the ORD member of the Narcotics Working Group, representatives from the DEA, DDO, and the Office of the Vice President, together with a representative from the Program and Budget staff to explore the matter more fully.

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10. Chemical/Biological Warfare (CBW) Study: The first meeting of the CIPC CBW Subcommittee was held on 21 September, and was chaired by Dr. Glenn Priddy, Special Assistant to Army/ACSI. The Subcommittee will meet on a regular basis every two weeks. Its initial task is to formulate its Terms of Reference (TOR) and to define its present and future relationships with existing CBW working groups.

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